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Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 122 appear in the reports of the Committee contained in documents A/56/653 and A/56/735.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item, in particular the question of final appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001, at its 50th and 53rd meetings, on 14 and 19 March 2002. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/56/SR.50 and 53).

3. For its further consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the final appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/56/866) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/56/868).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.53

4. At the 53rd meeting, on 19 March, the representative of Argentina and coordinator of the informal consultations on this question introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a draft resolution concerning the final appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/C.5/56/L.53).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.53 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

A
Final budget appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the final appropriation for the biennium 2000-2001[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

2. *Requests* the Board of Auditors, when auditing the accounts of the United Nations for the biennium 2000-2001, to pay particular attention to expenditure sections with overexpenditures which were approved in General Assembly resolution 56/240 A of 24 December 2001 as well as sections with large amounts of unliquidated obligations to ensure their validity;

3. *Resolves* that for the biennium 2000-2001, the revised appropriation and commitment authority totalling 2,561,578,000 United States dollars approved in its resolution 56/240 A of 24 December 2001 shall be decreased by 391,100 dollars as follows, resulting in a final appropriation of 2,561,186,900 dollars:

Section		*Revised appropriation and the commitment authority approved in General Assembly resolution 56/240 A*	*Increase/ (decrease)*	*Final appropriation*
		(United States dollars)		
Part I.	*Overall policy-making, direction and coordination*			
	1. Overall policy-making direction and coordination	45 469 800	257 500	45 727 300
	2. General Assembly affairs and conference services	445 868 700	898 800	446 767 500
	Total, part I	**491 338 500**	**1 156 300**	**492 494 800**
Part II.	*Political affairs*	161 749 000	(3 185 700)	158 563 300
	3. Political affairs	14 165 900	(378 600)	13 787 300
	4. Disarmament	70 816 400	(916 800)	69 899 600
	5. Peacekeeping operations	3 449 900	(79 900)	3 370 000
	6. Peaceful uses of outer space			
	Total, part II	**250 181 200**	**(4 561 000)**	**245 620 200**

[1] A/56/866.
[2] A/56/868.

Section			*Revised appropriation and the commitment authority approved in General Assembly resolution 56/240 A*	*Increase/ (decrease)*	*Final appropriation*
			(United States dollars)		
Part III.	*International justice and law*				
	7.	International Court of Justice	22 248 700	(62 300)	22 186 400
	8.	Legal affairs	33 537 400	(234 400)	33 303 000
		Total, part III	**55 786 100**	**(296 700)**	**55 489 400**
Part IV.	*International cooperation for development*				
	9.	Economic and social affairs	114 150 400	137 800	114 288 200
	10.	Africa: New Agenda for Development	5 218 600	(145 500)	5 073 100
	11A.	Trade and development	82 499 800	(62 700)	82 437 100
	11B.	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	17 256 800	(417 300)	16 839 500
	12.	Environment	8 596 800	(85 200)	8 511 600
	13.	Human settlements	14 905 200	(90 200)	14 815 000
	14.	Crime prevention and criminal justice	4 825 200	(100)	4 825 100
	15.	International drug control	14 027 700	(1 200)	14 026 500
		Total, part IV	**261 480 500**	**(664 400)**	**260 816 100**
Part V.	*Regional cooperation for development*				
	16.	Economic and social development in Africa	71 481 500	554 100	72 035 600
	17.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	53 899 900	(554 200)	53 345 700
	18.	Economic development in Europe	39 163 100	(400)	39 162 700
	19.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	76 872 000	(35 900)	76 836 100
	20.	Economic and social development in Western Asia	45 698 200	31 300	45 729 500
	21.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	41 210 400	(136 700)	41 073 700
		Total, part V	**328 325 100**	**(141 800)**	**328 183 300**
Part VI.	*Human rights and humanitarian affairs*				
	22.	Human rights	38 965 300	(908 900)	38 056 400
	23.	Protection of and assistance to refugees	40 385 300	14 600	40 399 900
	24.	Palestine refugees	24 314 700	(335 400)	23 979 300
	25.	Humanitarian assistance	18 394 100	(100)	18 394 000
		Total, part VI	**122 059 400**	**(1 229 800)**	**120 829 600**
Part VII.	*Public information*				
	26.	Public information	141 282 100	(145 900)	141 136 200
		Total, part VII	**141 282 100**	**(145 900)**	**141 136 200**

Section			*Revised appropriation and the commitment authority approved in General Assembly resolution 56/240 A*	*Increase/ (decrease)*	*Final appropriation*
			(United States dollars)		
Part VIII.	*Common support services*				
	27.	Management and central support services	437 961 000	1 638 800	439 599 800
		A. Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Management	11 374 100	125 400	11 499 500
		B. Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	22 762 500	(39 000)	22 723 500
		C. Office of Human Resources Management	49 166 600	(74 500)	49 092 100
		D. Office of Central Support Services	230 721 500	(1 765 700)	232 487 200
		E. Administration, Geneva	84 897 700	(6 900)	84 890 800
		F. Administration, Vienna	23 851 900	(115 900)	23 736 000
		G. Administration, Nairobi	15 186 700	(16 000)	15 170 700
		Total, part VIII	**437 961 000**	**1 638 800**	**439 599 800**
Part IX.	*Internal oversight*				
	28.	Internal oversight	18 256 800	218 700	18 475 500
		Total, part IX	**18 256 800**	**218 700**	**18 475 500**
Part X.	*Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses*				
	29.	Jointly financed administrative activities	7 605 100	(113 200)	7 491 900
	30.	Special expenses	53 376 200	896 000	54 272 200
		Total, part X	**60 981 300**	**782 800**	**61 764 100**
Part XI.	*Capital expenditures*				
	31.	Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	49 401 600	(1 533 100)	47 868 500
		Total, part XI	**49 401 600**	**(1 533 100)**	**47 868 500**
Part XII.	*Staff assessment*				
	32.	Staff assessment	331 459 400	4 385 000	335 844 400
		Total, part XII	**331 459 400**	**4 385 000**	**335 844 400**
Part XIII.	*Development account*				
	33.	Development account	13 065 000	-	13 065 000
		Total, part XIII	**13 065 000**	**-**	**13 065 000**
		Grand total	**2 561 578 000**	**(391 100)**	**2 561 186 900**

B

Final income estimates for the biennium 2000-2001

The General Assembly

Resolves that, for the biennium 2000-2001:

(a) The provisional estimates of income of 379,673,500 United States dollars approved by its resolution 56/240 B of 24 December 2001 shall be increased by 3,741,700 dollars as follows:

Income section	*Provisional estimate approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 56/240 B*	*Increase/ (decrease)*	*Income estimate*
	(United States dollars)		
1. Income from staff assessment	335 029 100	4 840 700	339 869 800
Total, income section 1	**335 029 100**	**4 840 700**	**339 869 800**
2. General income	43 725 700	605 600	44 331 300
3. Services to the public	918 700	(1 704 600)	(785 900)
Total, income sections 2 and 3	**44 644 400**	**(1 099 000)**	**43 545 400**
Grand total	**379 673 500**	**3 741 700**	**383 415 200**

(b) The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

(c) Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.

C

Financing of the final appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001

The General Assembly

Decides that for the biennium 2000-2001, the required additional assessment (32,213,600 dollars gross, or 25,469,000 dollars net) will be taken into account in the context of determining regular budget assessments for the year 2003 at the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, consistent with the provisions of regulation 5.2 (a) and (b) of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations and invites the Committee on Contributions to proffer its recommendations on the appropriate scale of assessment to be used, in keeping with the provisions of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations.